

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

## REGION VIII

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August 3, 1992

Ref: 8HWM-ER

Mr. Edwin L. Osika, Jr. Executive Vice President United Park City Mines Co. 309 Kearns Bldg. 136 South Main Salt Lake City, Utah 84101



Dear Mr. Osika:

Per conditions of the tentative Access Agreement, the following individuals will be present at the Richardson Flat Tailings property on August 4, 1992 for the purposes of sampling per the "QA/QC Sampling Plan" and structural review of tailings dam:

- 1) Mike Zimmerman, On-Scene Coordinator (OSC), EPA;
- 2) Mike McCeney, Remedial Project Manager, (RPM), EPA;
- 2) Scott Keen, Environmental Scientist, Ecology and Environment (TAT):
- 3) Jeff Fleming, Hydrogeologist, Ecology and Environment (TAT):
- 4) Katherine Romine, Chemical Engineer, Ecology and Environment;
- 5) Charles Baker, Petroleum Engineer, Ecology and Environment:
- 6) Mike Sullivan, Geological Engineer, Ecology and Environment.

In addition, we have received your request with regard to filtering the groundwater samples. As we disagree with the logic of using only dissolved metals vs. total metals, filtered and unfiltered samples will be drawn for analytical purposes. Also, your conclusions for the installation of the monitoring wells are being reevaluated against the drill logs, therefore the immediate sampling effort will be confined to only measuring the depth of water below ground surface. EPA reserves the right to draw groundwater samples from the monitoring wells at a later date after a careful analysis. During the interim it may be necessary to revisit the monitoring wells to draw further physical data and information. We trust that access would not be restricted for these purposes.

In closing, we appreciate your cooperation with EPA's site assessment. Should events necessitate coordination within the next 24 hours, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mike Zimmerman, OSC

Emergency Response Branch

Rich Baird, ORC cc:

Mike McCeney, RPM/EPA Harold Sanbeck, RPM/UDEQ